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509. So too where the request was from one whom he erroneously supposed to have authority. Campbell v. Foster Home Association, 163 Pa. St. 609. It is submitted, however, that if one acts under a bond fide belief in a state of fact or law which, if true, would justify the payment, he ought not to be regarded by equity as a mere officious intermeddler. No new burden is created, and the debtor ought not to be allowed to escape the old obligation at the expense of an innocent third party. This doctrine is upheld by an increasing body of authority. Coudert v. Coudert, 43 N. J. Eq. 407; Capehart v. Mhoon, 58 N. C. 178; Crumlish's Adm'r v. Central Improvement Co., 38 W. Va. 390.

Trade-Marks and Trade-Names — Protection Apart from Statute — Situs of Property Right. — For many years the plaintiffs had been supplying the English trade, from their French distillery, with a liqueur which they called "Chartreuse." The French government confiscated their distillery and transferred the trade-name to the defendants, who thereupon invaded the English market with a pseudo-"Chartreuse." The plaintiffs continued to supply England from their new Spanish distillery, and sought to have the defendants enjoined from using the name. *Held*, that the defendants be enjoined. *Lecouturier* v. *Rey*, [1910] A. C. 262.

Both the American and the English rights to the trade-name "Chartreuse" are now determined, and the House of Lords and the Circuit Court of Appeals of the United States have both determined them in the same way. For a

discussion of the American case, see 21 Harv. L. Rev. 361, 373.

TRIAL — VERDICTS — CORRECTION OF RECORD. — In an action for negligence against two co-defendants, the jury immediately upon retiring decided in favor of one defendant, and were discussing the liability of the other. When asked by an officer of the court whether they had agreed upon a verdict, the foreman replied in the negative. Thereupon the clerk of court by mistake entered a disagreement. A motion was made by the one defendant on the affidavits of all the jurors to correct the record, and enter a verdict for him. Held, that the motion should be granted. Wirt v. Reid, 138 N. Y. App. Div. 760.

The court in this case is trying to avoid a technicality of practice, and reach justice as between the parties. But a distinction must be drawn between agreeing upon a verdict, rendering a verdict, and recording a verdict. Where a correctly rendered verdict has been wrongly recorded, the minutes may be amended. Tomes v. Redfield, Fed. Cas. No. 14,085. Where by mistake the foreman announces in court a verdict different from that agreed upon by the jury, the error may be corrected. Dalrymple v. Williams, 63 N. Y. 361. In the principal case, however, no verdict was ever pronounced. As to one defendant the jury had reached a conclusion which they intended to give as a verdict, but they were not bound by that intention. At any time before that verdict was rendered in court, any juror was at liberty to change his mind. This mere intention, which did not bind even the jurors, the court records as a verdict binding upon the parties. As the jury was dismissed without giving any valid verdict, this was a mistrial. See Fisk v. Henarie, 32 Fed. 417, 427.

Unfair Competition — Means Unlawful as Against Third Persons — Measure of Damages. — The plaintiff's patent on drill chucks having expired, the defendant began to manufacture chucks of exactly the same size, style, and character, also duplicating the plaintiff's advertising cuts and printed matter. In a suit for an injunction the plaintiff prayed also for damages and an accounting of profits. Evidence was given as to the number of the defendant's sales but not as to his profits. Held, that in the absence of such evidence the profits that the plaintiff would have made on such sales determined the measure of damages. Westcott Chuck Co. v. Oneida Nat. Chuck Co., 199 N. Y. 247.